

NSHA TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Points a team will receive **10 pts for a win, 7 pts for up to 7 goal differential**, and **3 pts for a shut out** for a maximum of 20 pts. A team will receive **5 pts for a tie**.
2. In the round robin games a coin flip at the beginning of each game will determine the home team, the home team will have choice of goal defended and players bench. When the quarterfinals start the higher seated team has choice of goal defended and players bench.
3. If a tie occurs in any of the quarter, semi, or finals, a sudden death **ten-minute overtime** will be played until there is a winner.
4. Periods—3 periods of 10 minutes each with clock stopping. Clock will run any time a goal differential of eight (8) is reached.
5. Ties for positioning in the playoff rounds are broken as follows, Head to Head, Goals against, Goals for.
6. There will be **1** time-out per game allowed and **1** in over-time.
7. No player may be added to the roster once it is turned in at registration.
8. If games are running behind the next game will start **5 minutes** after the preceding game.
9. Icing will be from the defensive dots.
10. Two line passes and lobs are permitted.
11. Games will be played with a delayed off sides in e effect.
12. Gloves must be Street Hockey or Ice Hockey gloves. No garden or bike gloves.
13. Elbow pads and protective cups are recommended but not required. (Monroe, GTHA, and Marlton they are required)
14. All calls by the referee will be final. All protests must be made before play is continued.
15. Sticks—No aluminum sticks will be permitted; sticks must be street hockey or ABS
16. **Penalties—A minor—1 minute, Major—3 minutes and Misconduct 5—Minutes.**
17. Fighting will not be tolerated **1st fight=game misconduct and next game suspension, 2nd fight=exclusion form the tournament (EXCEPTION: Freshman 1st fight exclusion the tournament).**
18. Three minor penalties=exclusion from the remainder of that game.
19. Conduct of Players, Coaches and Fans: **Abusive language** by a player, coach or fan towards a referee, opposing player, another spectator, or any tournament official will not be tolerated. The guilty party will be asked to leave the premises, if they refused penalties will be given to the team in question, or possibly forfeit the team out of the tournament with no refund.
20. Forfeits, if a team receives a forfeit they will receive a minimum of **14 points**, and possibly more to be determined by tournament officials. The team that foreits will receive a fine of \$50 payable to the hosting tournament. The fine must be paid before the next tournament. The board can review this foreit.
21. There will be a **10-minute-foreit time**.
22. Alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited.
23. The NSHGA committee will strictly enforce these rules and rules from meeting notes.
24. Four coaches per bench.
25. Double hand up is a penalty
26. Double stick up is not a penalty
27. B player moves up to A must play A for that tournament. A cannot play B.
28. A player cannot play on two teams within the same division.
29. Referring—Each team will have Captains or Assistants—A referee must discuss a call with the Captain/Assistants when the Captain or Assistant asks. A coach must use his Captains and Assistants for questioning calls.
30. A player can move up to the next level if there is a shortage of players. The player must continue to stay with that team until the next tournament. This will prevent putting a good player on teams. The player cannot play on two teams in the same division.
31. Code of Conduct for Coaches, Players and Others.
 - a. 1st time—1 minute bench minor
 - b. 2nd time Off the bench for that game and suspension of the next game
 - c. If there are 3 suspensions a board review will be required. Remember: A suspension requirement is that the next game the player signs the score sheet

NOTE: IF A COACH, PLAYER OR OTHERS ARE EJECT, THAT COACH, PLAYER, OR OTHERS MUST LEAVE THE RINK AND MUST GO TO THE PARKING LOT. IF THIS RULE IS NOT FOLLOWED THE POLICE WILL BE CALLED.

NOTE: At GTHA indoor rink, if a coach, or others get ejected (players are not included). You will be given a 24-hour penalty before you can enter the indoor rink. GTHA also has a township code of conduct that is enforce at both rinks, which is posted at the inside the rink and on the fence at the outside rink. (Please read it!)